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INTRON SEQUENCE ANALYSIS METHOD FOR DETECTION OF

ADJACENT AND REMOTE ALLELES AS HAPLOTYPES

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment is being filed in response to the Notice to Comply with Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence an/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures ("Notice") dated December 21, 2001 in the above referenced application. Applicant was given a two month period to respond to the Notice, making a Response due by February 21, 2002. This response is accompanied by a petition for an extension of time to extend the period to respond to the Office Action to July 22, 2002, and the appropriate fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and § 1.17. Accordingly, this Amendment is timely filed.

Please amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please insert the accompanying paper copy of the Sequence Listing (Exhibit A) into the above referenced application.

REMARKS

The amendments to the specification is being made to comply with the requirements for Sequence Listing Rules under 37 C.F. R. § 1.821-§ 1.825. Thus, no new matter is added by these amendments.

This Preliminary Amendment is accompanied by a paper copy of the Sequence Listing (Exhibit A), a computer readable copy of the Sequence Listing (Exhibit B), a Statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.821(f) (Exhibit C), and a copy of the Notice (Exhibit D). Should the Examiner in reviewing the communication have any questions or need any additional information, he is welcome to contact the undersigned at (650) 849-4902.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required by this paper, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. <u>50-1189</u>. Docket No.: <u>21401-7002</u>. An extension of time is requested to provide for timely filing, <u>if</u> an extension of time is still required after all papers filed with this communication have been considered. A DUPLICATE COPY OF THIS SHEET IS ATTACHED.

DATE: July 22, 2002

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